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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

European Search Report No. EP 00105723, July 6, 2000:

European Patent Publication No. EP 0876076, November 1998.

T. Korkmaz et al., "Source-Oriented Topology Aggregation with Multiple QoS Parameters in Hierarchical ATM Networks", 1999 Seventh International Workshop on Quality of Service. IWQOS '99. Proceedings of IWQOS Seventh International Workshop on Quality of Service, London, UK, May 31-June 4, 1999, pages 137-146.

W.C. Lee, "Topology Aggregation for Hierarchical Routing in ATM Networks", Computer Communications Review, US, Association for Computing Machinery, New York. Vol. 25, No. 2, April 1, 1995, pages 82-92.

Also enclosed are the following:

U.S. Patent No. 5,831,982, issued November 1998, to Hummel.

U.S. Patent No. 5,535,195, issued July 1996, to Lee.

U.S. Patent No. 5,687,168, issued November 1997, to Iwata.

ATM Forum 94-0471R16, PNNI Routing Specification, 5.- 5.9.6 (36 pages).

af-pnni-0055.000 Letter Ballot, PNNI Routing Specification, 5.7.8 - 5.8.1.2.3 (pages 96-100).

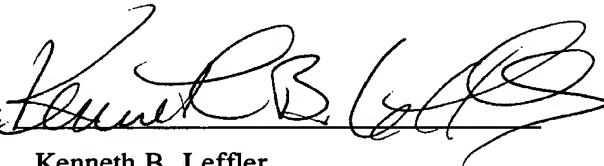
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(pages 1-53).

The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying form PTO-1449 for the above-identified patent application.

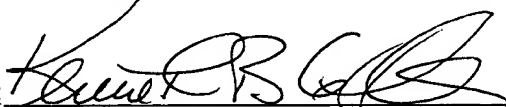
- ☒ No additional fee for submission of an IDS is required.
- ☐ The fee of \$180.00 (126) as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is also enclosed.
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